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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF §119 PRIORITY TO PCT/JP01/02261

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request acknowledgment of the §119 priority claim to PCT/JP01/02261, as indicated on the executed declaration and the Claim for Priority, which included a certified copy of PCT/JP01/02261, all of which were filed on February 11, 2004. A review of the electronic file for this application only appears to include the §120 priority

claim to PCT/JP01/09447, and not the §119 priority claim to PCT/JP01/02261. Accordingly, written confirmation of the §119 priority claim to PCT/JP01/02261 is respectfully requested.

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